

AGGIE FROSH GO DOWN TO DEFEAT

CRITTENDEN AND CARTY STAR
AS ALMA RUNS AWAY WITH
FRESHMEN.

The touted Aggie Frosh team, which defeated the Albion collegians handily, was swamped Friday night by the Maroon and Cream's new court team by a score of 25 to 7, the Yearlings being unable to penetrate the Alma defense and being forced to confine themselves to long shots.

Only three times during the entire fray could the Frosh locate the netted circle of the Alma clan, twice during the first half and once in the second session. The fact that the Frosh could not get close shots at the basket was not due so much to the five man defense, which seemed somewhat slow in forming, as it was to the clever guarding of Crittenden, who played a sterling game under the Aggie Frosh basket, and invariably took the first shock of the offensive work of the Yearlings.

During the entire game the Frosh guarded the Alma forwards closely, and with a clever shooting guard in Carty Alma reversed her procedure of last week, to some extent and the Detroit did considerable basket shooting with the result that he led the team in counters for the night with four field baskets to his credit, all of them counted up during the initial half. Kirker was the only other Alma man who counted more than one field basket in the first half.

The Maroon and Cream warriors had things pretty much their own way during the first half, the visitors possibly being puzzled somewhat by the strange Alma gymnasium. As a result Alma was leading at the end of the first half by a score of 19 to 5.

In the second half the game settled down into a strong defensive one on the part of both teams. A single field basket by Gasser was all that the Frosh could nail, Alma faring but little better than did the Yearlings, only two field baskets coming Alma's way. Kirker added to the score, however, with two fouls during the half.

Even granting that the Frosh may have been puzzled by the Alma floor during the first half, they must admit that in the face of the Alma guarding which kept their total of field baskets to three, they never had a chance to be returned winners.

The entire Alma squad played good gasket ball with Crittenden featuring on defense and Carty on offense. Haltman and Beckley starred for the losers.

Lineup and summary:
Alma pos. Aggies
Kirker R. F. Beeuwkes
Soderstrom L. F. Haltman
Shaver C. Robinson
Carty R. G. Beckley
Crittenden L. G. Brooks

Field baskets—Carty 4, Catherman 2, Soderstrom 2, Kirker 2, Shaver 1, Haltman 2, Gasser 3.

Fouls—Kirker 3 out of 4, Carty 0 out of 1, Beeuwkes 1 out of 4.

Score first half—Alma 19, Frosh 5.
Substitutions—Alma: Catherman for Soderstrom, Soderstrom for Catherman, Wright for Kirker, Catherman for Carty, Kirker for Wright, Frosh: Gasser for Beeuwkes, Beeuwkes for Robinson, Mason for Haltman, Gilkey for Brooks, Robinson for Gasser.

Referee—Gaffney, Alma.
In a preliminary to the college contest the reserves were beaten by the American Legion aggregation by a score of 11 to 9. Two former college stars, Gaffney and Moore, were the mainstays of the Legion aggregation, and it was the guarding of the latter and the basket shooting of "Toots" that landed the game for the Legionnaires.

At the end of the first half of the fray the Legion team was leading by a score of 3 to 2, the former soldiers getting their points on fouls and the collegians getting their's on a single field basket. Niles played a fine game for the reserves.

Collegians Play Two Hard Games

The Alma College basket ball team is facing the hardest week during the coming few days that it will face during the entire season with two of the biggest frays of the schedule carded, these being with Michigan State Normal's crack team Friday night and the University of Detroit Saturday night. Both games will be played on foreign courts.

The Michigan State Normals have lost just one game this season and in this fray made the Michigan Aggies go into two overtime periods to win. The game was played on the Aggie floor where Alma also battled the Aggies. Comparative scores place the Teachers as far stronger than the Maroon and Cream team and it is certain that the Ypsi five will go into the fray a big favorite for the long end of the score. The Green and White has a strong defense and its scoring end of the five is anything but weak. The Maroon and Cream will face the hardest game that it has played yet this season. Unless Alma can win from the Normals she will have a mighty hard time to fight back and get in the running for the Michigan Intercollegiate title gain. This could only happen by Kalamazoo trouncing the Teachers and Alma then licking Young's aggregation twice.

The University of Detroit also has a fast aggregation of basket tossers,

M. I. A. A. RESULTS

The outstanding result of this week's games is the showing of Kalamazoo against M. I. A. C. by defeating this veteran live 39-28. This places the celery eaters in the favored class for the M. I. A. A. pennant, and Ypsi and Alma, both fast aggregations, have some real battles ahead if they expect to push Kazoo out of the race.

Scores of the games in which Michigan Intercollegiate teams played this past week follow:

Alma 25, Michigan Aggie Frosh 7.
Kalamazoo 39, Olivet 10.
Kalamazoo 34, Adrian 6.
Ypsilanti Normal 37, Mt. Pleasant Normal 45.
Albion-Olivet, cancelled.
Kalamazoo 59, Michigan Aggies 28.

but it does not show the strength that Ypsi does and Alma apparently has a better chance to dump the Detroiters than she has of winning from Ypsi.

The Maroon and Cream aggregation is working with a vim this week for these two frays, realizing the importance of the contests and it is certain to be a battling aggregation that takes the floor Friday and Saturday to uphold the honor of the Presbyterian camp.

VENTABURG

Basket ball will be played at the M. W. A. hall in Ventaburg on Friday evening when the Crystal High school team will come here to play with the Ventaburg town team.

Dell Lundy of Alma, moved into Edwin McDole's residence Thursday. Edwin McDole has moved into the residence formerly occupied by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDole, who recently moved to the country to care for Mrs. McDole's mother, Mrs. Robert Elliott, who is in ill health.

Mrs. Bert Haway, of Edmore, was a Monday visitor of Mrs. Lena Tapp.

Mrs. Inez Fisher and daughter, Elizabeth, of Crystal, spent the latter part of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Reed.

M. N. Smith, of Elm Hall, spent the week end at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Hollinger.

Miss Marie Rhoades went to Edmore Saturday to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John Taft.

There will be preaching services at the Church of Christ Sunday evening. Leon Erskin was in Alma Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Platt is sick.
Bert and Wm. Venton and Ernest Manley were in Alma Saturday.
Mrs. Wm. Warz is sick.

The girls' Sunday school class of the Church of Christ of Ventaburg, taught by Miss Adelaide Brown and the boys' Sunday school class of the same church and place taught by Glenn Blough, had a class party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. C. Hubbard on Saturday evening, January 21. The boys held a business meeting and elected the following class officers: president, Donald Hubbard; vice president, Milton Gentry; secretary, Leonard Hubbard; treasurer, Reginald Johnson. The classes enjoyed the evening by playing various games and having music. Pop corn and candy was served to all.

The Edmore division of the "Fortightly Club" of the Edmore Eastern Stars were entertained at the home of Mrs. George W. Reed, Thursday, January 19, from 10:30 a. m. until 6:30 p. m. by the Ventaburg division of the club. A chicken dinner was served at noon after which followed games and music, and a social time. At 6:00 o'clock the members were called to order and a business meeting was conducted. At 6:00 o'clock the ladies were served with a lunch after which they departed for their homes in Edmore. The following ladies from Edmore were present: Mesdames Eggerly, Baird, Swift Herman, Rowe, Pittenger, Briggs, Courtwright, Jewell, Pittenger, Curtis, Gorsuch, Faught, Johnson, Dahn, Jordan, Crane, Harrison, McLean and Miss Otto.

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M. I. A. A. GAMES OF THE WEEK

The M. I. A. A. games of the week are important as they promise to leave not more than two undefeated fives in the association when the week comes to an end and will point out the teams that should battle for the title. Games this week follow:

Friday—Alma vs. Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti. Hillsdale vs. Adrian at Adrian. University of Valparaiso vs. Kalamazoo College at Kalamazoo.

Saturday—Alma vs. University of Detroit at Detroit. Michigan State Normal vs. Albion at Albion. Findley (Ohio) College vs. Adrian at Adrian.

NOTICE

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